

## Compressible Potential Flow Equation

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Limiting ourselves to 2D flow (this is page 48)

Velocity is the gradient of the potential

$$V = \text{gradient}(\phi)$$

$$U = d\phi/dx$$

$$V = d\phi/dy$$

Looking at the continuity equation, we have

$$D\rho/Dt \text{ (which goes to zero) } + \rho u/dx + \rho v/dy = 0$$

We can't pull  $\rho$  out because we can't assume incompressible.

Product rule in that case:

$$\rho du/dx + u d\rho/dx + \rho dv/dy + v d\rho/dy = 0$$

$$U = d\phi/dx \text{ and } v = d\phi/dy$$

So we have, if you substitute the potential flow equations back in...

$$\rho d^2\phi/dx^2 + d\phi/dx * d\rho/dx + \rho d^2\phi/dy^2 + d\phi/dy * d\rho/dy = 0$$

We get a (page 49)

We want all our equations in terms of phi

Recall Euler's equation:

$$dP = -\rho V dV$$

Assumptions:

Steady, inviscid, no body forces, valid for compressible, a stream tube

Derivation from Euler's equation starts page 49 For isentropic flow....

$$P = C_p \gamma$$

$$\gamma = C$$

If you set 1 and 2 equal....you get the bottom of page 50

The  $\nabla^2 \phi$  which is on Page 52, is the Velocity Potential Equation

It's a second Order PDE, highly non-linear, and a superposition of sources and sinks will NOT work to model it.

For incompressible flow,  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$

All you're gonna be left with is Laplace's equation

For 3D flow ----- see slide 13 AE3030\_Lecture II

Soooo we can't really solve this equation.

We need to linearize it.

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Linearization!!!

In order to linearize the velocity potential equation, we need to make a few assumptions:

Bodies being analysed are thin.

Low thickness to chord ratio

-Have a mild camber

The freestream velocity is to be disturbed only slightly.

SUBSONIC AND SUPERSONIC ONLY

No transonic or hypersonic.

Subsonic – incompressible

Supersonic – everywhere  $M > 1$

Transonic – freestream is less than  $M = 1$ , mach  $M > 1$  or  $M = 1$  on body

Hypersonic = temperature effects take over compressibility effects

OK time to linearise!!!

There is a picture of an airfoil and perturbation velocityies..... so..... (page 53)

Assume the potential is now  $\phi = v_{\infty}x + \phi_{\text{hat}}$ , which is the perturbation

So we have  $u = d\phi/dx = v_{\infty} + d\phi_{\text{hat}}/dx$  (which is  $u_{\text{hat}}$ )

Etc.

So you can assume that the second derivatives of the  $\phi$  function with respect to  $x$  and  $y$  are all equal to the perturbation second derivatives. If you substitute that stuff into the velocity potential equation, you get the top of page 54.

If you look at the second order terms....

You can reason that they are all negligible. (Proof on page 54)

Let's take a look at the energy equation from lecture 1....

$C_p T + v^2/2 = C_p T_{\infty} + v_{\infty}^2/2$  (This is page 55)

You can do some derivation and relations.....

SO in the end you are left with this equation on the top of page 57

Called the SMALL DISTURBANCE EQUATION

It's the governing equation for compressible subsonic and supersonic flow.

This equation is linearized and non-exact! It's approximate.

Sp.....look at the pressure coefficient

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Pressure coefficient

$$C_p = \frac{P - P_{\infty}}{q_{\infty}}$$

Derivation without and assumptions made:

$$C_p = \frac{2}{\gamma M_{\infty}^2} \left[ \frac{P}{P_{\infty}} - 1 \right]$$

Let's consider adiabatic, calorically flow

(btw no assumptions were made for the top equation – it was exact)

You get a  $P/P_{\infty}$  equation at the bottom of page 58.

There is another equation for exact  $C_p$ , but assuming isentropic (neglecting shocks). It's page 60.

You can do some more manipulation to come up with

$$C_p = -2 \frac{u_{\hat{}}}{V_{\infty}}$$

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Wall boundary condition

We know that velocity can only be tangential and not normal to the surface.

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You get that  $\phi_{\hat{t}}$  is about  $V_{\infty}$  times  $df(x)/dx$  (which is the local body slope).

SUMMARY OF LINEARIZATION OF COMPRESSIBLE FLOWS:

Governing equation:  $(1-M_{\infty}^2) * \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0 //$

Boundary condition:  $\phi_{\hat{t}_y} = V_{\infty} * df(x)/dx$

$C_p = -2\phi_{\hat{t}_x} / V_{\infty}$

These are all on page 63)

At the end of the world wars, they were looking for easy solutions for transonic regimes.

The Prandtl-Glauert Compressibility Correction

(WHICH IS NOT VALID FOR TRANSONIC FLOWS)

Want something similar to incompressible eq.....Laplacian..

So.... Let  $\xi = x$

$\eta = \beta y$

$\beta = \sqrt{1-M_{\infty}^2}$

So we have now

$\beta^2 \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0$

(those phis are phi\_hats)

The new velocity potential function is  $\phi_{\text{bar}}(\xi, \eta) = \beta \phi_{\text{hat}}(x, y)$

Some derivation starts on page 63.....In transformed space, this problem becomes an incompressible problem!!

The shape of an airfoil in transformed space is the same

$$Y = f(x)$$

$$\eta = q(\xi)$$

Proof of similarity of space is on page 65

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:The pressure coefficient has changed a little in the alteration.

$$C_p = C_{p, o} / \beta$$

This is Prandtl-Glauert's Compressibility Correction!

(Page 76)

Keep in mind: This is not to be used for transonic or hypersonic

Still assuming steady

Irrotational

And no vorticity

Isentropic flow

Reversible adiabatic

Still assuming inviscid flow.

(BL region is computed separately)

-Flow away from walls is considered inviscid

ALSO

It's used for a particular airfoil and for a particular angle of attack.

Because we are assuming inviscid, subsonic, compressible flow...  $C_d = 0$ .

This is d'Alembert's paradox.

Anything less than  $M = 0.3$ , then you can assume incompressible.

But from 0.3 to 0.8, this stuff is valid.

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There are MORE, better improved compressibility (similarity) equations

Karmen-Tsien Equation, etc. These are in slides (but a little incorrect! Best to double-check)

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TRANSONIC REGIME

Critical Mach Number

This is the mach number of the freestream when the flow over the body first gets to  $M = 1$ .

There are good diagrams on page 69

When Mach number is greater than  $M_{cr}$ , there is a sonic line that develops over the upper surface of the airfoil.

Doesn't necessarily form a shockwave, though.

What happens to the boundary layer>

When there is a shockwave, the static pressure increases a crazy amount, and we get boundary layer separation.

There is massive separation and drag.

Vortices, a lot of rotationality,

Varying pressure,

Unsteady flow, periodic buffeting.

Coefficient of lift in 4 different situations....

(There is a great graph on page 69)

You can drive the shockwave back to the trailing edge

You only get bow shocks for blunt edged bodies.

If you have a sharp leading edge....you get oblique shocks.,

Mach tuck is caused by lift being generated in the aft regions of the airfoil.

As  $C_p$  moves backwards, pitching down moment is unrecoverable.

So...

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Review from last time:

$M_\infty$  as it approaches  $M_{cr}$ , depending on AoA and geometry....

The AoA and geom will determine how much flow speeds up. The faster it is over the suction peak, the sooner you will reach  $M_{cr}$ .

Let's say suction peak is A.....

(Some derivations on page 73)

There is the equation on how to find  $M_{cr}$  on page 74

THIS IS UNSOLVEABLE BY HAND!!)

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Transonic flow

This is the end of the math, because this stuff is non-linear.

As freestream mach number increase, you hit  $M = 1$  at the suction peak.

What is transonic flow?

-Flow in which significant regions of subsonic and supersonic flows exist together.

(Freestream  $M$  could be over 1)

$M_{\infty} < 1$  .... In this case shockwaves can happen on the airfoil

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If  $M_{\infty} > 1$ , then there may be a bow shock, and a subsonic regime after that, then another supersonic regime with some oblique shocks at the trailing edge. (picture on page 75)

Pressure conditions at the end determine whether there are sub or super sonic solutions to oblique shocks.

There is a picture on page 76 of expansion waves....

Multiple expansion waves and compression waves coalesce from a shock

If you keep increasing the Mach number, shock ravel towards the trailing edge.

Kutta condition and  $p_{\infty}$  must be satisfied.

Shocks turn the flow to meet the Kutta condition.

-Velocities have to match

$P_{\text{static}}$  also has to match

If the top and bottom shocks are of different strengths, they have different entropies.....this causes a slipline.

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What is a slipline?

Discontinuity for entropy, temperature, and  $\rho$

BUT

$P$  and  $v$  are discontinuous.

Let's look at a few  $C_p$  plots!!!

These are on page 77.

Wave drag

What is wave drag? Why do shocks cause it?

You have a difference in velocities..... because the shocks make entropy go up, which means that the density after a shock is lower than  $\rho_{\infty}$ .

There is a deficit in velocity because of the entropy jump.

When you have lower velocity at the TE, then not as much mass gets transported through.

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When you have oblique shocks at the TE, wave drag is smaller

The BL is attached to the airfoil, so you have smaller separation drag.

If you have a strong enough engine to combat the sound barrier, then you're good!

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Commercial transport:

IncrASING RANGE IS IMPORTANT

In order to maximize range:R

$$dR = V_{\infty} dt$$

dW is the change in aircraft weight

T is thrust

$$dW = T \cdot sfc \cdot dt$$

(specific fuel consumption)

$$dR = V_{\infty} dE / T(sfc) \cdot (W/W)$$

Thrust = Drag and  $W = L$  for steady, level flight

$$dR = V_{\infty} \cdot L \cdot dW / sfc \cdot D \cdot W$$

Do the integral....

$R = V_{\infty} / sfc \cdot Cl/Cd \cdot \ln(W_{\text{takeoff}} / W_{\text{landing}})$  This is the Breguet Range Equation. This is on page 80.

So....as aerodynamicists, how to maximize  $Cl/Cd$ ?

$Cl/Cd$  has the highest ratio at just after  $M_{cr}$ . This is why cruising is at  $M = 0.7$  or  $M = 0.8$ .

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How to reduce Wave Drag:

3 major design considerations:

- I) Supercritical airfoils
- II) ii) wing-body interactions and "area rule"
- III) iii) swept wings at transonic speeds)/

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So...if you look at the NACA 00012.....it's got a blunt edge but Whitcomb said design the top to be flat

With a cusp towards the TE to recover lift.

The LE should be blunter to get to  $M = 1$  faster.

In order to not speed up flow on top = flat

-blunt nose to increase to  $M = 1$  faster

Cusp to recover lift

-thicker bottom for structural and fuel concerns

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ii) Area rule

Whitcomb noted that indenting the body of a wing-body combination so that the combination has nearly the same axial distribution of cross-sectional area as the original body alone would result in the transonic drag rise.

Whitcomb's area rule ^^^^

Sharp discontinuities in area cause wave drag

Change in fuselage shape to make the cross-sectional area change more smooth.... You can prove this mathematically

(some graphs on page 82/83)

iii) Wing sweep

Basically you're tricking the wing into thinking that  $V_{\infty}$  is slower with wing sweep.

Effective velocity is Mach #....reduced to the cosine of the angle related to the swept wing.

Infinite aspect ratio assumption

-no spanwise derivatives --- all  $y$ -derivatives = 0

(There are slides of governing equations for all this, but I stopped taking notes somewhere.....this is page 83)

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The benefits and drawbacks of a swept back wing....

(good pictures on page 84) Boundary layer fences are sometimes used to obstruct spanwise flow and keep wings from stalling

Boundary layer fences aren't really used anymore though....vortex generators are still used. They are placed at angles.

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Swept forward wings....

Tip stall is avoided

The fuselage acts as a boundary layer fence, reducing root stall.

You get high lift, but the aeroelastic effects have a tendency to cause wings to snap off!!

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Subsonic flow over Finite wings

Governing equation:

$$B^2 \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} + \phi_{zz} = 0$$

(all phis are phi-hats)

The explanation for this is page 85-86.

Basically you get the same similarity transformation equation for  $C_p$ , but you also have to transform the wing.

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## ONTO SUPERSONIC FLOW

So, the supersonic regime is when  $M_\infty > 1$

Pressure waves propagate at the speed of sound to let the other air know of its presence / disturbance.

For subsonic flows, disturbance causes propagation at the speed  $a \cdot t$ .

Definition of mach angle (page 86)

Linearized 2D Supersonic Flow Potential

Previously: we had  $(1 - M_\infty^2)(d^2\phi_{\hat{x}}/dx^2 + d^2\phi_{\hat{y}}/dy^2) = 0$

This came from continuity.

-Then we linearized it and solved for a small case

-Etc etc...

For subsonic flow,  $1 - M_\infty^2 > 0$

This gives you an elliptic PDE

For Supersonic flow:  $1 - M_\infty^2 < 0$

Which is a hyperbolic PDE

Let's multiply by -1.

$$1 - M^2 (\phi_{xxx} - \phi_{yy}) = 0$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{M^2 - 1}$$

$\hat{\phi} = f(x - \lambda y)$  is a solution. HOW?

This derivation is on pages 87 and page 88.

The problem is that the solution is not specific. What is  $f$ ? it could be anything.

$$\lambda^2 f'' - \lambda^2 f'' = 0$$

Derive derive.....math math....

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Page 89

All disturbances created at the wall ( $\hat{\phi}$ ) propagate unchanged away from the wall along Mach lines.

The slope downstream above the wall:

No disturbance.

If there is a disturbance....the disturbance propagates up the Mach line

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Second solution

There's another solution, guys!!!! Omg

The second solution is for the bottom.

However!!!

The discontinuous solutions are discontinuous.

Therefore interactions are NOT possible.

Freestream can't interact with the Mach lines.

Kutta condition is still satisfied.

Checks at trailing edge.

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Cp..... remember....

$$C_p = -2u_{\text{hate}}/V_{\text{inf}}$$

Basically Cp is proportional to  $1 / \sqrt{M^2 - 1}$

(Ackert's Rule)

Because it's linearized, this equation blows up at  $M_{\text{inf}} = 1$ .

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Lower surface Boundary condition....

Math math...

ACKERT'S RULE!!!

Page 92 and 93.

Basically camber is useless for supersonic flows

Cl is dependent on alpha and M<sub>∞</sub> only.

Cp = about 2/lamda [dY/dx]

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ACKERT'S RULE

Better look at page 93 and onward for Cl and Cd for a flat plate

There is an example of Ackert's rule calculations on page 97.

And also page 98.

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3-D Supersonic flow

-aerodynamics involves interactions between wing, fuselage, engines and empennage (back region)

-CFD has evolved to a point where analysts and designers increasingly rely on calculations, complemented by costly wind tunnel and flight test data.

Linearized potential flow analyses are nevertheless useful..

SOME USEFUL RESOURCES ABOUT THIS ARE NASA CONTRACT REPORTS.

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Drag is a sum of...

-skin friction drag

-induced drag (wing and tails)

Due to lift, proportional to Cl<sup>2</sup>

-Wave drag

-trim drag

Even if zero lift is being generated, you still have wave drag.

### Skin Friction Drag

-Based on flat plate theory for turbulent flows, divide surface into patches of area  $dA$

-on each patch, we compute the area and skin friction coeff  $C_f$  and associated drag.

Sum up the  $C_f$  over all the patches to get total

Calculate wall temperature

Find equivalent incompressible flow temp  $T'$

Look up viscosity  $\mu'$  at  $T'$  using Sutherlands's Law

-Find incompressible density  $\rho'$  from equation of static  $\rho' = \rho_{\infty}(T_{\infty}/T')$

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### Induced drag'

-caused by rearward rotation of  $L'$  due to downwash as incompressible flow.

-An empirical expression may be found for each lifting surface.

Can use panel methods

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### Wave drag

You can see the effects of wave drag with a  $C_p$  vs. Surface area plots

When  $C_p$  is high, you can expect a shock.

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### Mach Cone.....

There are cones of silence (picture on page 100)

Supersonic and Subsonic LE

(Pictures on page 101)

Subsonic LW has the advantage of having no shocks on the body.

BUT if you sweep the wings too far, you get:

- a large pitching moment
- structural problems

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Positive: There is no interaction between upper and lower surface for supersonic flow

In practice

- Most wings have a supersonic trailing edge
- designers strive to have a subsonic LE.

Concorde moves its fuel around during supersonic flights.

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Wave drag: area rule

BUT you want to maximize volume because you want the maximum payload.

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Introduction to Hypersonic Flow

Hypersonic aerodynamics is a very broad topic

-can't clearly say that there is a line between sonic and hypersonic  
BL – space between shock wave and body – thin and rotational.

For compressible BL, temp effects lower mass flow rate

-Shock layer

-the gasses may be dissociated or even ionized

Hypersonic flow “features”

-→ High -Temp effects

-M = 20 or 30....kinetic energy turned into internal energy

-Gasses have....3 translational and 2 rotational modes

At high mach numbers, you get more modes – vibrational modes

And gas dissociation

-You get Cp as a fcn of pressure and temp

-Chemical reactions

High temp effects also make flow non-equilibrium

(reference timescale is longer than the chemical reaction timescale)

High altitude effects:: low-density

-continuum breaks down

-velocity and temperature slip

Shockwave very close to the body

- generates an entropy layer, interacts with the boundary layer.
- everything is viscous, everything is rotational
- entropy layer is a gradient in entropy



Some more high temp effects

Equations on page 103

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Prandtl Number - it's the Ratio of Viscous diffusion rates to Thermal Diffusion rates

$\text{Nu} = \text{kinematic viscosity} = \mu / \rho$  which is viscous diffusivity.

Here is a new constant for you:

$\text{Alpha} = k / \rho * C_p$ .  $k$  is thermal conductivity.

This is thermal diffusivity.

$\text{Pr} = \text{nu} / \text{alpha}$ . Which is the equivalent of  $\mu * C_p / k$ . (This is page 104)

The flow temperature in the viscous-shock layer is extremely high!!

Specific heats  $C_p$  and  $C_v$  and their ratio  $\gamma$  are fcn of temp b/c new degrees of freedom arise



We are trying to get a simple estimate of  $C_p$ ,  $C_l$ ,  $C_d$ , and  $C_m$ .

-Hypersonic flow is highly non-linear though!

Newton said...that air travels in a straight line.

When it hits a wall, it loses velocity and slides against the wall. The normal energy becomes the Pressure Force.

(a derivation on page 105)

We have a re-entry vehicle (diagram page 105)

In 3-D,  $C_p = 2 \text{ abs}(v_{\infty} \cdot n)^2 / V_{\infty}^2$

THIS IS VERY WRONG FOR SUB, TRANS, and SUPER SONIC FLOW.

But it's more valid for hypersonic flow

There are few collisions because of rarified air

-The shock sits so close to the surface, it may as well be hitting the surface

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Newton's theory modified....

$C_p$  is overestimated, so let's replace somethings..

$C_{pmax}$  is now  $C_{pmax} \cdot \sin^2(\theta)$

$C_l$  and  $C_d$  are on page 106.

I didn't do the derivation so you have to look at the slides if you want to see how that was done)

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Derivation of Energy Equation Viscous Flow

This is all on page 107 to 108.

And it's

...it all becomes Sutherland's Law

Sutherland's Law:

(an empirical curve fit)

Describes how viscosity varies with temperature.

$\mu/\mu_o = (t/T_o)^{3/2} ((T_o + S1) / T + S1 )$  S1 is 110 Kelvin for air.

YEAH

That's it.

This class is over!!!!